राष्ट्रीय वस्त्र निगम की परिचालन लागत

1241. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल:** क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या कुछ वर्षों से राष्ट्रीय वस्त्र निगम की परिचालन लागत में निरंतर वृद्धि हुई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) सरकार द्वारा राष्ट्रीय वस्त्र निगम की परिचालन लागत में कमी करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं?

श्रम मंत्री और वस्त्र मंत्री (श्री जी० वेंकट स्वामी): (क) और (ख) एन टी सी की प्रचालनात्मक लागत मजदूरियों तथा वेतनों में सामान्य वृद्धि के अलावा कच्चे मालों की कीमतों में वृद्धि, बिजली प्रभार, जल प्रभार के कारण बढ़ती रही है। उचित आधुनिकीकरण की कमी, का क्षमता उपयोगीकरण, उच्च मानव मशीन अनुपात तथा कार्यशील पूंजी के भारी अभाव ने भी प्रचालनात्मक लागत में वृद्धि में योगदान किया है।

(ग) सरकार ने 2005.72 करोड़ रुपए की लागत पर एक संशोधित सर्वांगीण योजना को मंजूरी दी है जिसमें 79 मिलों के आधुनिकीकरण, 36 गैर-अर्धक्षम मिलों को 18 अर्थक्षम एककों में पुनर्गठन करना शामिल है तथा उन्हें बी आई एफ आर के समक्ष उसकी मंजूरी के लिए पेश किया। आशा है कि आधुनिकीकरण योजना के क्रियान्वयन के बाद, एन टी सी मिलों की प्रचालनात्मक खर्च व्यवहार्य हो जाएगा।

Harassment of Employees of State Bank of Indore

1242. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of letters received from the Members of Parliament since 1st January, 1995 so far regarding causing harassment and financial losses to the employees of the State Bank of Indore Delhi branches;

(b) whether any inquiry has been ordered against the officers responsible, if so, the details thereof;

(c) what action is proposed to be taken by the Bank management to provide relief to the staff who were forced to give affidavit to forego their claim of salary and allowances for few years on their reinstatement; and

(d) by when the entitled salary and other benefits are likely to be paid?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DR. DEBI PROSAD PAL): (a) and (b) 38 letters from M.Ps were received during the period from 1.1.95 to 29.2.96 regarding alleged harassment and financial losses to the employees of the Delhi branches of State Bank of Indore. The bank has reported that the inquiry made by it has not revealed any harassment caused to any employee of the Delhi branches of State Bank of Indore.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Policy Announcement Regarding Fixation of Cotton prices

1243. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations from farmers of North India that Government policy announcement regarding fixation of cotton prices in the country which is made in November every year does not suit them for various reasons and that it should be announced in April every year; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) Such representation as per available information does not appear to have been received.

(b) Does not arise.

Ramagundam Power Project

1244. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ramagundam power project in Andhra Pradesh has reduced its production;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Kerala's share from the Ramagundam power project has been reduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) During the period April, 1995 — February, 1996, the energy generation at Ramagundam STPS was 13267 MU as against the target of 13106 MU.

(c) No, Sir. Kerala's share of unallocated power from central sector stations in the Southern Region including Ramagundam STPS has been increased from 10% to 15% w.e.f. 26.2.1995.

Coal-Based Power Projects of NTPC in Gujarat

1245. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Thermal Power Corporation has decided to start several coal-based power projects in Gujarat particularly in Saurashtra region to meet power shortage;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the private sector has also offered to start power projects in the Saurashtra-Kutch region; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMALABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL) : (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Twelve projects as detailed below, involving a total capacity of about 6285 MW at an estimated cost of about Rs. 22282.14 crores are proposed to be set up in Gujarat (including Saurashtra-Kutch region) in the private power sector:

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Capacity(MW)	Provisionalcost (Rs.crores)
1.	Akrimota Thermal Power Station	240	840.00
2.	Barge Mounted Coastal	500	1750.00
3.	Coastal Thermal Power Station	1000	3500.00
4.	Ghogha	250	875.00
5.	GIPCL Expansion Power Project	145	399.00
6.	Hazira Combined Cycle Power Project	515	1745.00
7.	Jamnagar	500	1967.00
8.	Mangrol Thermal Power Station	250	1103.00
9.	Paguthan Gas based Power Project	655	2298.14
10.	Pipava Chhara Dual Fu	615	2152.50
11.	Pipavar	615	2152.50
12.	Pipavev Coastal Thermal Power Project	500	3500.00
	Total:	6285.00	22282.14